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Region V
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FROM: Mr. David Curnock, PM, SECOR International Inc.

for DHC

RE: **MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT/MEMORANDUM**
Area 9/10 Remedial Design
Southeast Rockford Groundwater Contamination Superfund Site
Rockford, Illinois

Copies: Mr. Thomas Turner, Regional Counsel, USEPA Region V
Mr. Scott Moyer, Hamilton Sundstrand/United Technologies Corporation
Mr. Eric Alletzhauser, United Technologies Corporation
Mr. Thomas Williams, PM, IEPA
Mr. Terry Ayers, IEPA

CURRENT MONTH PROJECT ISSUES/STATUS: *(activities, meetings, deliverables, etc.)*

Comments were received from USEPA with regard to SECOR's Quality Management Plan Equivalent originally submitted in January 2003 and resent in July 2003. These comments have been addressed in a response letter with attachments dated September 4, 2003 and submitted to USEPA under separate cover. Comments were received from the USEPA on the supplemental portion of the QAPP for the Pilot Test Work Plan portion of the RD Work Plan that was originally submitted on July 3, 2003. The response to these comments is in final preparation and will be submitted to the USEPA during the week of September 8, 2003. In a letter dated July 16, 2003, the USEPA provided approval of the Pilot Test Work Plan

Continued efforts are underway to secure access to properties other than those under the control of Hamilton Sundstrand for the performance of RD Work Plan implementation. Specifically, these properties include the Rockford Products parking area located south of the Hamilton Sundstrand facility, the right-of-way along 23rd Avenue, and the former Mid-States property located northeast of the Hamilton Sundstrand facility. Also, other pre-mobilization and logistical information and preparations are being made for up-coming pre-design investigation field activities. SECOR has been in contact with IEPA regarding previous right-of-way access for IEPA activities. Mr. Thomas Williams, IEPA, has provided some support and assistance in this regard. SECOR has been in contact with City of Rockford engineering personnel regarding right-of-way access. Additional meetings are to be held with other City of Rockford department staff (Public Works, Legal) to secure final access.

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FUTURE PROJECT ISSUES/STATUS: *(activities, meetings, deliverables, etc.)*

Based on recent project plan component approvals and anticipation of those outstanding project plan components approvals/comments, field preparation/mobilization activities which commenced during the month of August will continue during September in preparation/anticipation of the initiation of the field sampling activities (pre-design investigation) in late September or early October, provided all project plan revisions are approved. A work site mobile office is to be placed at the facility to provide a base for field operations.

Contact between the various concerned entities (Hamilton Sundstrand/SECOR, USEPA, IEPA) to provide notifications, coordination, and promote an efficient field process will occur as schedules become more solid. Contact and coordination with Hamilton Sundstrand plant personnel will include addressing such items as security, health and safety, and other plant protocol issues with the field team, including subcontractors. This work will be undertaken on and around an operating facility, sensitivity to plant operational concerns will be considered in work performance. These considerations will involve special work time constraints for high traffic areas and reconfiguration of plant emergency traffic routes when standard ingress/egress routes are blocked or congested with drilling equipment.

Awaiting any comments from the USEPA regarding the FSP submitted on March 31, 2003, and the Pilot Test Work Plan FSP addendum submitted on July 3, 2003.

SAMPLE/TEST DATA SUBMITTALS:

No submittals are included with this monthly progress report/memorandum.

RD SCHEDULE UPDATE: *(attach updated schedule as necessary)*

There are no significant schedule changes to be noted at this time. It is anticipated that the field activities will likely begin at the end of September or early October 2003. At that time, the project schedule will be updated and resubmitted.

REALIZED/ANTICIPATED PROBLEM CONDITIONS:

None identified.

PERSONNEL CHANGES:

None identified.